

Dillon Ranger District
680 Blue River Parkway
P.O. Box 620
Silverthorne, CO 80498
(970) 468-5400 - Voice
(970) 468-7735 - Fax



United States Department of Agriculture



HIKING

ARGENTINE PASS - FDT 77

Difficulty: MORE DIFFICULT

Trail Use: Low

Length: 2.15 miles one-way

Elevation: Starts at 11,301 feet and ends at 13,193 feet (highest point 13,193 feet)

Elevation Gain: +1,958 feet - 66 feet = +1,892 feet

Recommended Use: HIKING

Access:

- From I-70 take Exit 205, Silverthorne / Dillon, and travel east on HWY 6 toward Keystone.
- Just past Keystone, turn right onto Montezuma Road (County Road 5).
- Follow Montezuma Road for approximately 4.62 miles to the intersection with Peru Creek Road (FDR 260). Follow Peru Creek Road for approximately 4.46 miles to the end of the motorized access on Peru Creek Road. Park at the abandoned Shoe Basin Mine and continue on foot for approximately .36 miles to the trailhead.

Trail Highlights:

- The Peru Creek drainage is rich in mining history with numerous underground mine shafts, so be careful where you walk.
- Historic relics are most meaningful in their natural settings. Please leave items where they lay so others may enjoy them.
- Most of the mines are privately owned. Please respect all private property.
- Spectacular views are to be had from both sides of the Continental Divide upon reaching the summit of Argentine Pass.
- Most of the trail crosses talus slopes dotted with fragile alpine flowers. Please walk on the rocks whenever possible to prevent resource damage to the delicate alpine tundra.
- This trail originated as a wagon road in 1867 connecting towns on the western slope of the Continental Divide with the eastern slope towns.

Important Information:

- Because of the talus slopes and hard terrain, it is **NOT** recommended that you bring dogs on this hike.
- Because this trail travels above timberline, you should begin your hike early in the morning because of the ever changing mountain weather. There is always a strong chance of afternoon thundershowers accompanied by LIGHTNING.

THIS MAP IS INTENDED FOR USE AS A GENERAL GUIDE ONLY, NOT FOR ACTUAL LAND NAVIGATION. THE WHITE RIVER NF STRONGLY SUGGESTS PURCHASING A TOPOGRAPHIC MAP AND GPS OR COMPASS PRIOR TO YOUR HIKING TRIP.